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In re application of:

Sadik Bayrakeri et al.

Application No.: 09/524,854

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and

§1.98

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references were previously submitted on February 4, 2000 to the PTO in reference to U.S. Application No. 09/431,330, filed November 1, 1999. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

As provided for by 37 CFR 1.97(g) and (h), no inference should be made that the information and references cited are prior art merely because they are in this statement and Donald F. Gordon et al. Application No.: 09/524,854 Page 2

no representation is being made that a search has been conducted or that this statement encompasses all the possible relevant information.

Applicant believes that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

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